City Labor Backs Party In Beer Amendments :: L.S.R. Defies Cut Fare Order

TORONTO PARLEY VIEWS APPROVED

City Labor Approves Proposed Amendments to Ferguson's 4.4 Beer Bill.

London Labor generally approves the schedule of amendments which the Labor representatives at Toronto are said to be about to propose to Mr. Ferguson to his 4.4 beer bill.

These amendments are:

Limiting of the quantity of liquor to be prescribed by physicians rather than the number of scripts.

Provision whereby liquor may be obtained more cheaply from dispensaries in cases of genuine illness.

Granting of 4.4 beer licenses only to British subjects.

Division of the license fee between the province and the municipality.

An "Indian list," through which persons convicted of drunkenness will be forbidden from use of beer thereafter will be asked.

Limited hours of sale, with 7 p.m. closing time on Saturdays and no sale on Sunday.

Advancing of the age limit for persons to whom beer may not be sold from 18 years to 20.

It seems a very constructive list," said Alderman Frank McKay. "Every suggestion seems sound. I do not quite understand the meaning or the implication in the clause as to restricting the granting of beer licenses to British subjects only. It is not in keeping with Labor's ideas on most things, for Labor today thinks internationally. The other suggestions are good."

John Colbert, president of the London trades and labor council, agrees with the proposals, though he is not sure whether the Indian list should be restored. Otherwise he finds little fault with the suggestions. The last two clauses, limiting the hours of sale and raising the age limit from 18 to 20, he especially favors.

Hits One Clause.

Arthur Mould, president of the London Labor party, also approves the amendments, but finds the restriction to British subjects hard to understand. Personally, he sees in all the clauses proof that the new beer is going to be intoxicating.

"While I approve the amendments," he said, "I think that the facts that have been seriously put forward by Labor is ample proof that the Ferguson beer is going to be intoxicating. Otherwise, I see no reason for the shorter hours, the increasing of the age limit from 18 to 20 and limiting the quantity to be prescribed by physicians. However, the Indian list suggestion is a good one, even though it strengthens my belief as to the power of the June beer."

BETTER HONESTY SENSE URGED FOR OFFICIALS

Vigilant Committee Is Not Necessary, Arthur Mould Declares.

Greater efficiency on the part of all public officers and a stricter honesty on the part of everyone in authority would, in the opinion of Arthur Mould, president of the Labor party, make a vigilant committee unnecessary.

"There would be no need for a vigilant committee," he says, "if we could properly control all our public officers and servants. This matter of the short weight dealers in coal, bread, and the sellers of slink veal, for instance. If the names can be published in the city hall in Toronto, then we should be able to have the same procedure followed here. It may be simply a matter of a city bylaw. I do not know.

"Then, we were told at the last meeting of the Labor party that several cases where bread dealers were charged with short weight that their cases were heard in camera and not in the public court. Now that doesn't seem to be in the best interests of the people who buy the bread. These are all the things that make the party appoint a vigilant committee whose business it is to protect the public from these dealers. If all our officials were competent and honest there would obviously be no need for such a committee."

ORATORICAL CONTESTS BEING HELD AT CENTRAL

Oratorical contests for the different forms of the central collegiate institute are being held this week.

The institute is divided into lower school and middle and upper school and contests are held for the boys and also for the girls.

The winners in the preliminary form contests, two boys and two girls in each instance, will compete in the finals to be held in the auditorium of the school next Friday night.

In addition to the four speeches there will be a musical program under the auspices of the Central Collegiate Literary society.

MANOR PARK MUD ADDS TO COUNCILLORS' WORRIES

Westminster township councillors never have their troubles to seek, according to Deputy Reeve William Boler.

"What's new in the township today, Mr. Boler?" the councillor was asked today.

"Always got something to worry me," grumbled the heavyweight township representative. "We've got to do some more fixing to those Manor Park roads. I'm told that two cars broke down in the park last week trying to get out of the mud, and the owners are going to sue us for damages. They've got no business driving around the park until the road? You haven't? Well you've got talk to a man who has broken his car trying to get through a muddy road? You haven't? Well you've got a treat in store for you. Take my advice and never become a township councillor."

MOVIE QUEENS SET STYLES OF UP-TO-DATE MISS LONDON

MRS. W. J. HANNA,

wife of Rev. W. J. Hanna, missionary at the China inland mission station at Talifu, China, recently destroyed by the West China earthquake, who is reported to be safe. Mrs. Hanna is from Buffalo.

She Goes, She Sees, She Wears and Up-To-Minute Business Prospers.

ONE EYE FOR SHEIK

Paris sets the styles. The movie actresses do the rest. London's fashion sheet is the silver sheet. Mrs. and Miss London see more than a plot and an interesting story in a reel of romance.

This is the opinion of a score of ladies' wear merchants and dressmakers in the city. The fashion books sent out from the great style centers still wield a great influence in the selection of clothes, but it is when the woman sees another woman attractively gowned, that she decides whether the mode is the thing or not.

Not long ago Agnes Ayers was seen at a local theatre in an ensemble costume of figured silk. The combination dress and coat was beautiful in design. It was exclusive in appearance. It made a considerable impression on local theatregoers. Whether the men in the audience knew it to be an "ensemble" or whether they even noticed it was anything out of the ordinary will probably never be known, but the women carried away a mental picture of that dress.

Duplicates are being worn here now. The manager of a downtown store says that he thanks the movies for several sales. He explains it this way. Women know that the Hollywood people always dress well. The poorest actress at least displays good taste in dress. It is always safe to assume that what she wears is worth having and the style she advances is worth cultivating.

Latest Went Wanting.

"Until Agnes Ayers wore that dress here, my stock moved so slowly that I was afraid of it," said he. "The very latest as announced by leading houses in the continent went wanting. My patrons admitted that the gowns were correct, yet they shook their heads. Then the motion picture brought home the realization that the same gown was being worn where last-minute styles are imperative, hence the sales."

Dressmakers do not think that the screen will do away with the fashion plates. They will simply go on satisfying the woman what is being worn in the fashion centers and therefore are due for serious consideration here.

It matters not whether Colleen Moore appears in New York, London or at the crossroads moving picture parlor, the result is the same. The younger set follow her through a maze of adventure, always with one eye on the suit she wears.

A movie actress started the tunic blouse which enjoyed a wave of popularity that reached its peak in January. True the blouse was in London, within fifteen days of the time the motion picture star purchased it, according to a local authority on women's wear, but the public refused to take it up until it was seen draped over the shoulders of a studio queen.

Designer Dismayed.

This designer is dismayed by the fact that patrons wait for the styles to be shown on the backs of the screen stars. She says that it throws the season back anywhere from three to six months. Until the gown is worn on the screen the pretty dresses can just languish in the shops here.

Women can tell the age of a picture the minute the heroine steps into the set. One peep at the hat, the frock, the shoes and Miss London or her mother can tell almost to a week whether the play was filmed a season or two seasons ago.

"Don't think that the girls go to see Thomas Meighan or the incomparable Rudolph, for themselves alone," whispered one retailer. "They have a far more serious business than that. They are figuring how they would look in the gown worn by the young woman who plays opposite the hero. Then they go home and take up the needle and thread or telephone the dressmaker for an appointment."

ANNUAL MILITARY INSPECTION MADE

Major-General MacBrian Pays Visit to Local Headquarters.

Major-General J. H. MacBrian C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., chief of staff, department of national defence, Ottawa, arrived here from Stratford this morning and carried out a complete inspection of the headquarters of military district No. 1.

Accompanied by Col. E. C. Dean, acting general officer commanding, and Col. F. Gilman, general staff officer, General MacBrian inspected the headquarters' building on Piccadilly street.

From there the party went to No. 1 M. D. hospital. A visit was made to the Canadian army ordnance corps and depot, as well as the Royal Canadian army service corps and supply depot at Wolseley barracks.

At 1 o'clock General MacBrian was the guest of honor at a luncheon in the officers' mess at Wolseley barracks. The staff officers of the Royal Canadian regiment were present.

At 2:30 the full strength of headquarters, C company, Royal Canadian regiment, some 90 officers and other ranks, under Lieut.-Col. E. A. Seely Smith, paraded on the barracks square for the annual inspection. Less than a dozen members of the station were absent. They were those on leave.

Following the inspection General MacBrian visited the buildings at the barracks. He leaves tomorrow morning for Ottawa.

Before coming to London General MacBrian inspected the officers in training at Ontario agricultural college, Guelph. The inspection took place yesterday afternoon. The general expressed himself as highly pleased with the smartness and efficiency displayed by the corps.

Proceeding to Stratford, General MacBrian was the guest of honor of the chamber of commerce and the Rotary club. He addressed them on the recent trip he made to Japan to attend the annual military manoeuvers there.

NIGHT RIDERS MUST HAVE CYCLES LIGHTED

Chief Birrell Declares Rear Reflector and Headlight Essential.

Chief of Police Robert Birrell announced this morning that police action will be taken this summer against bicyclists found riding at night in the city without lights and section of the city bylaw would be rigidly enforced this year in order that accidents might be avoided.

The city bylaw requires cyclists to outfit their bicycles with a lighted lamp in front and a red glass reflector on the rear. The highway traffic act, although demanding that bicycles should be equipped with a reflector, does not ask the use of a front lamp.

The minimum fine for this infraction of the highway traffic act is $5 and court costs. Chief Birrell warns that is is cheaper to invest in the required equipment than spend money in the payment of police court fines.

HOME GARDEN CONTEST SEEDS NOW AVAILABLE

Packages of seeds for use in the home garden contest for young men and women beyond the school age are now available at the department of agriculture office on payment of 50 cents, J. K. Andrew of the department stated today.

Last year the contest was a great success and the officials are confident that even better results will be obtained this year.

L. AND P. S. THEFT SUSPECT GIVEN RELEASE TODAY

Thomas Roberts, arrested in London a week ago for St. Thomas police on a charge of vagrancy in connection with the L. and P. S. R. station robbery in that city the previous week, was released today. David Pelky of St. Thomas, also held in connection with the theft of money from the station money box, was released on bail today to appear in court in another week.

In Canada's Parliament

Canadian Press Despatch.

TODAY.

Ottawa, March 24.—The budget will be brought down in the house of commons. Debate will be adjourned by Sir Henry Drayton. The house will then consider canteen funds resolution of Dr. H. S. Beland.

The senate does not sit.

YESTERDAY.

In the commons: Private members' resolutions were debated, J. S. Woodsworth, Labor leader, asking that government support for immigrants unemployed for the first two years of their residence, and an amendment by William Irvine asking the government to resign if it could not remedy the unemployment, did not reach a vote before adjournment.

The senate did not sit.

COAL BOAT ENCOUNTERS LITTLE ICE ON LAKE ERIE

With the warmer weather and better lake conditions, the Bessemer the Second, the coal ferry running between Conneaut and Port Stanley arrived in the harbor early today, this being her second trip to Port Stanley in three days.

The crew on the ship report that the trip can be made in much less time than it could a week ago. They also stated that they encountered very little ice.

NONE PAY FINES.

None of the prisoners fined for O. T. A. infractions by Magistrate Graydon yesterday have paid their fines, and in consequence must suffer the alternative prison terms, county jail officials stated this morning.

LONDON TEACHERS TO BANQUET GREER

Institute Will Tender Farewell Supper to Chief Inspector of Province.

Arrangements are being made by the London teachers' institute to tender Senior Inspector Administrator V. Kenneth Greer, M.A., a complimentary farewell banquet prior to his departure from London the latter part of next month.

The banquet, which will be held in Smallman & Ingram's tearooms, on Saturday, April 4, at 6:30 p.m., will be attended by between 300 and 400 members of the institute, and representatives of the different educational institutions in the city.

The affair is being planned by the institute as a compliment to Mr. Greer's outstanding ability, which was recognized recently by Premier G. H. Ferguson, minister of education, in appointing him chief inspector of public and separate schools for the province.

John R. Littleproud, Simcoe street public school, president of the institute, will preside at the banquet at which a number of speeches will be made appropriate to the occasion.

The evening will not only recognize Mr. Greer's ability, but to an even greater extent will it testify to the esteem in which he is held in local educational circles.

During the comparatively short period of five years in which Mr. Greer has been connected with the educational system in London, first as junior inspector to the late C. B. Edwards, then as senior inspector, andlatterly as senior inspector administrator, the system has made rapid strides along the path of progress and efficiency.

And all the while Mr. Greer was achieving great things on behalf of the system he was making for himself a friend out of everyone with whom he came in contact, and he met hundreds.

Thus it will be that the farewell banquet will indicate that Mr. Greer's coming departure for Toronto and the severance of his direct connection with the London educational system is not alone a distinct loss to the system, but that it also means the severing of hundreds of personal friendships.

EKFRID CHURCH VOTES IN FAVOR OF UNION

Only Six Churches in Presbytery To Be Heard From.

Ekfrid Presbyterian church has voted to enter the United church of Canada on June 10 next.

The vote, as announced by Rev. William Beattie, D.D., chairman of the union committee of London presbytery, this morning, stood 24 to 15 in favor of union.

With only six congregations to hear from in the presbytery on the question of church union, the count by congregations stands today at 30 to 24 in favor of union.

Adamant in its stand that 11 congregations in the presbytery which have voted unanimously to enter union without a formal ballot should not be counted, the Presbyterian church association claims that the count stands 26 to 18 congregations against union.

Rev. N. Stevenson is pastor of Ekfrid and Appin churches, the latter of which voted against union.

PRESBYTERY TROUBLES COMPLETELY ADJUSTED

Rev. John Richardson Will Assume Duties as Clerk Next Week.

All is peace and quietness again in London presbytery following yesterday's special meeting, at which Rev. John McNair, D.D., resigned as clerk.

Dr. McNair is dating his resignation from March 31, so that until that date he remains as clerk of the presbytery. Rev. John Richardson, B.A., who was the man chosen by the commission appointed to secure a new clerk to fill that position temporarily, and who performed the duties of that office yesterday, will therefore not reassume his duties as clerk until April 1.

By a peculiar coincidence, Mr. Richardson's resignation from Chalmers Presbyterian church, which was accepted by presbytery yesterday does not take effect until after the last Sunday in March, next Sunday, to be exact, and thus he will step from the pulpit of Chalmers church into the clerkship of presbytery.

Satisfaction and approval was heard on all sides this morning that Dr. McNair had seen fit to withdraw his appeal to synod and resign, and that the presbytery had been big enough to withdraw its original motion and accept Dr. McNair's resignation as tendered yesterday.

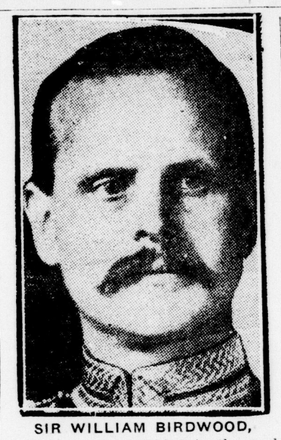
C. E. KEENE IS OWNER OF FAMOUS PAINTING

The reproduction of Henry Hensal's great painting, 'Granny's Care," which appeared in The Advertiser's rotogravure section on Saturday is the property of C. E. Keene, and not Arthur Keene as stated.

The picture, now in a Londoner's home, is acclaimed by critics as the greatest work of the famous artist.

UNDERGOES OPERATION.

Harold Bolton of Strathroy, son of License Inspector Walter Bolton, who was suddenly stricken with appendicitis last night was operated on this morning by Dr. William Stevenson, assisted by Dr. Jones, at St. Joseph's hospital. His condition was reported this afternoon as being favorable.



SIR WILLIAM BIRDWOOD,

who has been promoted to the rank of field marshal and who will succeed Lord Rawlinson as commander-in-chief of the forces in India next November. Birdwood commanded the Australian corps during the war.

TWO LONDONERS PAY TAX ON $50,000

Income Returns Not Yet Complete at City Hall For Year.

There are only two Londoners who have an assessable income of more than $50,000 yearly. Reliable information indicates that two residents of the city will this year pay income taxes for earnings of slightly more than this amount.

The smallest assessable income is $50. That sum represents the excess of the usual $1,000 statutory exemption permitted before tax is imposed.

Hundreds of Londoners pay income tax on investments. There are many folk with small holdings in mining or industrial stock or government bonds, whose incomes are otherwise small. The total assessable income in London is $4,500,000, and $1,000,000 of this represents income from dividends.

Income returns are not yet complete for 1925 at the city assessment offices, but reports indicate that the city has lost two of its largest taxpayers, through removal to homes in Middlesex county. Incomes of these two citizens, who still have businesses in the city, are believed to be greater than $50,000 a year.

RADIO BRINGS CAMP ON AMAZON TO CITY

News of Dr. H. Rice's Expediton Heard by D. Hutchison Last Night.

David Hutchinson, 424 Horton street, with a one-tube radio set, heard Boa Vista, Brazil, last night. This is the station of the Dr. Hamilton Rice expedition to Brazil. The call letters of the expedition are WJS, and the camp is about 500 miles up the Amazon river.

This message came through an amateur sender at Yonkers, N. Y., call 2A.G., who said that it was sent from the camp of the expedition on the river bank. All members of the expedition are well and in the best of spirits.

Throughout January and February Mr. Hutchinson has been getting amateur senders in many countries, including France, Holland, Hungary, Bermuda, Mexico, Costa Rica, the Hawaiian islands, and California. All the messages have been on wave lengths from 70 to 100 metres.

FORMER INSPECTOR ON C.N.R. BURIED HERE

Officials From Montreal, Toronto Pay Tribute to Sidney Dulmage.

C. N. R. officials from Montreal and Toronto attended the funeral yesterday of Sidney D. Dulmage, former inspector of the sleeping and dining car department of the railway, who died at his mother's home, 479½ York street, on Friday.

Six members of the sleeping and dining car service, including J. H. Sylvester, superintendent; J. A. McIsaac, assistant superintendent; J. C. Hickey, O. I. Virtue, inspectors, and R. H. Mitchell and J. A. Perdrix, conductors, acted as honorary pallbearers.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. John Garbutt, were held at 2:30 o'clock and interment was made in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

APPEAL IS PREPARED ON JUDGE'S DECISION

An appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Lennox, who dismissed the action brought by Albert Reason for the recovery of $3,990 from A. E. Hodgins in a Vulcan Company stock transaction, is being prepared by Frank Curran, solicitor for Mr. Reason.

The recent judgment of Mr. Justice Kelly, which held that the mortgage of Dr. Robert Shaw for $50,000 on the Vulcan property was invalid, changes the entire complexion of Mr. Reason's action, his solicitor states.

FINANCIER IMPROVING.

Montreal, March 24.—C. R. Hosmer, Montreal financier, was reported today to be "doing nicely" at the Royal Victoria hospital where he is confined by illness.

SHIP LEAVES PORT BIRRELL

Tom Brown's Thirst For Knowledge Proves Too Much For Police.

A gentleman sailor is almost as rare as a Flying Dutchman, that ship of mythical fame, police will tell the curious after a cursory perusal of records. But "sure things" are always liable to upsets, as the presence of Tom Brown in court today showed.

Tom, a well-dressed, studious-looking individual of 40, saw the inside of a hall of justice for the first time this morning he told Magistrate Graydon, explaining his uneasiness and his inability to comprehend the procedure that leaned heavily upon him.

C. P. R. Constable Frarey came forward to relate that Brown loomed in the darkness just as the early morning train from Toronto came to a halt here. He took the trail, and after a zig-zag course arrested Brown on Piccadilly street.

Bit Out o' Place

"I've never been in court before, and I hardly know what to say to your worship," Brown began with an evident desire for knowledge.

The law of trespass was explained.

The prisoner didn't fare so badly in his first attempts at cross-examination, for he brought from Constable Frarey the admission that he was not seen alighting from the train. The gentleman navigator again hit deep water, however, when the court showed a friendly interest in whether he took the formality of buying a ticket for his ride to London.

"I really don't know where I stand, your worship," Brown was again perplexed. "Must I admit whether or not I had a ticket?"

This naive turn tickled the general sense of humor, but the question was not pressed.

"What do you do?"

"I'm a sailor and a farmer," proudly.

"No friends?"

"I've friends all over, but perhaps too good to ask," was the enigmatic reply.

Chief Birrell thought that Brown's $1.35 would be enough to get him to a safe haven, so, at a word from the bridge the one-man ship pushed off again with a dignified, "thank you, sir."

John Was Giddy.

John Slovinski sips from the wassail bowl long and often, the chief told the magistrate when the bemustached John stood up in the prisoners' box to tell what he remembered of his latest collision with the O. T. A.

"Not very drunk," John mumbled with a bland smile.

"Not very, eh?" and the chief wore a wider smile.

John was so drunk that his antics were as foolhardy and uncertain as the veriest daredevil, was eye-witness story of Sergt. Middaugh. John picked the police district for his choicest manoeuvres. When the sergeant testified that John had been wandering all over the south sidewalk and pushed women pedestrians into the road for diversion, the bench was satisfied that John was very drunk.

"Where do you get this stuff?" did not strike John as being a very intelligent question. He answered with a stare.

"Ten dollars and costs or ten days."

He is courting a severe penalty in driving a truck with brakes mere excuses for the real thing, W. J. Spray was told when haled to court to explain the sad condition of his car. The young man promised to be careful and was freed after settling the costs.

Thomas Adams was fined $25 with an option of a month in jail for stealing lumber, while suspended sentence was given Frank Mitchell and John Williamson on charges of theft.

BEER POLICY PROTEST IS SIGNED BY Y. P. L.

Petition Will Be Forwarded to Government by Colborne Street Church.

A petitionary protest to the government regarding the new beer policy was signed last night by the executive of the young people's league of the Colborne street Methodist church following their regular meeting. The young people of this church are taking a keen interest in the issues on the temperance question.

Miss Patricia Fletcher was in charge of the meeting, and the young people were intensely interested in an address from Mrs. Omond, a returned missionary from India, in which she gave intimate sidelights on the life there and ended with an appeal for concentrated service. At the close of the evening the room was given over to the mission circles for the final rehearsal of their play to be presented tonight.

SALVATION ARMY SCOUTS SHOW BIG INCREASE

With the addition of 38 boys to the ranks of the Salvation army scouts, officers here look forward to greater activities in the young people's circles in the army this summer.

A reorganization meeting took place last night. Sergt.-Major Mann head of the scouts, received 38 new members at the Clarence street citadel. The new troop will be directed by Scout Leader John Vanderheiden. He will be assisted by Lieut. Hunt and Glen Sheppard.

The troop will meet every Friday at the Richmond street gymnasium.

The London silver band acts as big brothers to the movement.

TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR.

In Saturday's paper, in an advertisement of Johnson & Barbour, the name of Mr. Johnson was spelled incorrectly. The error is regretted and this means is taken of correcting it.

FIVE-CENT SCHEDULE IS CONTINUED TODAY

Wins Drink Bet But Loses Life

Associated Press Despatch.

Yonkers, N.Y., March 23.—After winning a bet that he could drink a pint of whiskey without stopping, Barney Williams was found dead in the yard of his home in Waring Place this morning.

Harold Powers, owner of a store in Sawmill River road, who was alleged to have given the whiskey to Williams, and the dead man's wife were held as material witnesses. Mrs. Williams, the police said, told them that when her husband came home she supposed he was only drunk, and she permitted him to remain outdoors.

CITY HALL CLERKS MAY REVIEW UNION

Meeting Called For Tomorrow Night To Discuss Plans For Year.

Formation of a municipal clerks' union is still believed strongly possible, and a meeting of the municipal club tomorrow may prove the parent to later efforts to start a union. Tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock city hall employees will meet to discuss social activities for the coming season, and possibilities of tennis and other sports during the summer.

A definite organization of all city hall employees may be put into effect for club and social purposes, with a business organization of clerks following.

The union movement at the city hall is not new. It has been talked of intermittently for three years, and discussion was recently revived.

It is not usual for girl clerks to enter the same trades union as men, and because of this it might be that a separate organization would be formed for girl workers at the city hall. Including board of education, public utilities and police girl clerks, there are about 60 or 70 girls eligible for membership in such an organization.

London city assessors will likely become members of a provincial assessors organization, which will include girl employees as well as men. The organization will deal with technical matters of business as well as grievances.

LOADED VEHICLES ACT IN FORCE FOR APRIL

Roads Must Be Protected in Springtime, Engineer Declares.

Although county and township roads are rapidly improving, the loaded vehicles act, which states that all vehicles using country roads must travel with half a load during March and April, will be strictly enforced, County Engineer Charles Talbot states.

"The frost is not out of the roads yet," said the engineer, "and quite frequently we find that the month of April is the hardest on roads."

Mr. Talbot stated that the Sarnia gravel road was in excellent condition right now, with the exception of the strip at the end of the Hyde Park pavement to Melrose. County road foremen have been working on all county roads for several weeks conducting dragging operations, the engineer said.

STRATHROY S.A. CORPS MARKS ANNIVERSARY

Col. Miller of Toronto Speaks at Special Gathering of Army Members.

One cent a year for every year the corps had been in existence was dropped in the collection by the officers of the Salvation army at the anniversary meetings held in Strathroy last night.

The first army band paraded the streets of Strathroy 41 years ago. It has grown greatly since that time. The crowds have been so eager of late that many have been forced to stand at the services, said Adjt. Spooner, who returned from Strathroy today.

Col. Miller of Toronto, was the speaker at the anniversary services. Brig. McAmmond, London, was the chairman. The London No. 1 band was in attendance Sunday under Bandmaster Woods. Bandsman Clarence Hurd gave concertina solos.

A supper preceded last night's service.

MEN'S ASSOCIATION TO HOLD FIRST MEETING

The newly-formed men's association of First Presbyterian church will hold its first monthly supper in the church tomorrow night at 6:15 o'clock.

An interesting address will be given by Inspector G. A. Wheable, B.A., M.C., on the subject of "The Yellow and the White Races."

Plans will be laid for future meetings and the rules and regulations of the association completed and placed on a businesslike basis.

L. S. R. Defies City Council Order to Drop Fares to Old Rate.

MARKING TIME

City Solicitor Given Authority to Take Action Against Road.

Defiance of the city council's order to return to the old rate of fares has been shown by the street railway company, and as yet there is no sign that the order will be carried out.

Full authority has been given T. G. Meredith, city solicitor, to take action against the company if the order, served yesterday morning, is not fulfilled within a reasonable length of time.

The matter will not be brought up in council circles until a report is given by Mr. Meredith, but action is expected one way or another within a very short time.

The company continues to charge 5-cent fares, though these are not compulsory. They are operating with the idea that the public does not strenuously object to a 5-cent rate of fare, and will pay that amount without questioning the company's authority. It is believed that the company will now test its power by continuing to charge five cents per ride, and that no action will be taken until word comes from the city solicitor.

PARADE TO FEATURE SECOND DAY OF CIRCUS

R. C. R. Band Will March Through Streets Prior to Performance Tonight.

A street parade by the R. C. R. band will feature the second day of Joy Week in London. The parade will start at 7:30, at the corner of Talbot and Dundas streets, proceed from Talbot along King, up Richmond, and along Dundas to the armories.

The usual performances in the armories will be given at 2 and 8, when the full program will be followed through. This is the program for both performances each day, all of which is covered by the 25-cent admission: Rube skating act, Joe Ferriss in a single trapeze act, Joe Kilere in a comedy act, Stevens and Melville in a high wire act, Walter Stanton of the Ziegfield Follies in his big rooster turn, the aerial leaches, the human frog, Del Ruth, the tilting fool and his swining tables, the comedy barber shop, and Rickard's trained seals, with the only seal that walks a tight rope.

THREE CANDIDATES ARE LIKELY TO RUN

Tories To Nominate Representative For East Middlesex on Saturday.

A Tory candidate for East Middlesex will be nominated on Saturday next in the east end town hall in London. Several aspiring Tories are Ald. Homer Neeley, King Hodgins of Lucan, Tom Scandrett of London, Frank Boyce of Dorchester. All these Conservatives believe they have a good chance of receiving the nomination, and there are even one or two other Londoners who are running a dark horse on Saturday in the nomination selling plate. This is the first of the nomination conventions for East Middlesex.

The Labor party and the U. F. O. are to try and find a middle way which they can both follow in the riding, and the Liberals have two or three suitable men in training. There is every prospect at present of there being three candiates in the field.

RECORD TRADE EXPANSION FOR WORLD IS FORESEEN

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, March 24.—"I am confident the world is on the verge of the greatest expansion of trade ever seen and in this movement towards prosperity, Canada has obtained a running start," said Sir George Paish, distinguished British economist, on his arrival here today.

The year 1924, Sir George declared, was the turning point which would always be remembered. "For the first time since the war a reasonable attitude has been shown on international problems. I cannot emphasize too greatly the fact that the world is a unit which stands or falls together," he added.

PROPOSE 50-FRANC TAX ON FOREIGNERS IN PARIS

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, March 24.—A proposal to levy a municipal tax of 50 francs a person on all foreign residents in Paris, in addition to the government fee for identity cards, has been placed before the city council.

Its sponsors claim the city's expenditure for police supervision of foreigners and other services amounts to 25,000,000 francs annually. There are now about 450,000 foreign residents in Paris.

EARL OF YPRES RECOVERING.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 24.—The condition of the Earl of Ypres, who was operated upon last week, was announced today to be satisfactory.